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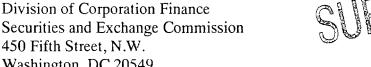
12<sup>th</sup> August 2002

## The Morgan Crucible Company plc

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Re:

The Morgan Crucible Company plc - File No. 82-3387



## Ladies and Gentlemen:

450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20549

The enclosed material is furnished pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) on behalf of The Morgan Crucible Company plc (the 'Company'), File No.82-3387.

Such material shall not be deemed to be 'filed' with the Securities and Exchange Commission or otherwise subject to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the 'Act').

The furnishing of any such material shall not constitute an admission for any purpose that the Company is subject to the Act.

Sincerely,

**Tracey Bigmore** 

Manager, Company Secretariat

Enclosure

Registered Office as above Registered in England No 286773 k:\Tracey/SEC Filing Letter



**ISSUER**The Morgan Crucible Company plc

**FILE NO.** 82-3387

Company TIDM Headline Released Number Morgan Crucible Co PLC MGCR Holding(s) in Company 16:06 9 Aug 2002 8018Z

## SCHEDULE 10

## NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

- 1) Name of company: The Morgan Crucible Company plc
- Name of shareholder having a major interest: Aviva plc (formerly CGNU plc) through its subsidiary Morley Fund Management plc
- 3) Please state whether notification indicates that it is in respect of holding of the shareholder named in 2 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest or in the case of an individual holder if it is a holding of that person's spouse or children under the age of 18: Beneficial and non-beneficial interest of the shareholder named in 2 and its subsidiaries.
- 4) Name of the registered holder(s) and, if more than one holder, the number of shares held by each of them: BNY Norwich Union Nominees Ltd 3,154,342 shares; Chase GA Group Nominees Ltd 1,719,780 shares; CUIM Nominee Ltd 5,185,776 shares.
- 5) Number of shares/amount of stock acquired: Nil
- 6) Percentage of issued class:
   Nil
- 7) Number of shares/amount of stock disposed: 2,698,516
- 8) Percentage of issued class:
  1.16%
- 9) Class of Security: Ordinary shares of 25p
- 10) Date of Transaction: Not known
- 11) Date company informed:
   Letter dated 8/8/02 received 9/8/02
- 12) Total holding following this notification:
   10,059,898 shares
- 13) Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification: 4.34%
- 14) Any additional information:
   Not known
- 15) Name of contact and telephone number for queries: Mr D.J. Coker, Company Secretary tel. 01753 837222

- 16) Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification: Mr D.J. Coker
- 17) Date of notification: 9<sup>th</sup> August 2002

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